



Montgomery County Retired Employees' Association, Inc.

Dear Retiree:

Congratulations on your retirement!

You will find information about the Montgomery County Retired Employees' Association, Inc. (MCREA) enclosed in this packet. MCREA represents individuals who receive benefits from Montgomery County employee retirement plans and/or retiree group insurance.

I encourage you to become a member. MCREA is your continuing voice in Rockville and represents you on issues associated with the Office of Human Resources (OHR), Montgomery County Employee Retirement Plans (MCERP), the County Executive and the County Council.

MCREA is an all-volunteer organization, run by retirees like you. We currently keep our members informed about important issues via newsletters, a website (www.mcreaonline.com) and an annual meeting in June in Rockville.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us at 301-929-9339 or toll free at 1-866-929-9339. Knowledgeable volunteers will respond to your message.

Join us by completing the application form and returning it with your check for dues. We welcome you to MCREA.

The MCREA Board of Directors wishes you a wonderful retirement.

Sincerely,

Barbara W. Garrard

President

M C R E A
P.O. Box 73
Rockville, MD 20848-0073

NEW MEMBER APPLICATION
(Please Print or Use an Address Label)

Retiree: _____
Last Name First Middle Initial

Spouse:
(Optional) _____
Last Name if different from above First Middle Initial

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____

Telephone: Home (_____) _____ Cell (_____) _____

Email Address: _____
(Print Clearly)

Dues are \$5 per calendar year per County retiree. Enclosed are dues for:

1 year (\$5.00) _____ 5 years (\$25.00) _____ Other _____

Date Submitted: _____ Check # _____

Please make your check payable to MCREA, enclose it with this completed form, (or a copy), and mail to the above address. Thank you for your support.

Any dues payment in excess of 5 years will be considered a contribution to MCREA.

[MCREA holds your information in our database in confidence. It is not shared or sold to other groups or organizations.]



The Montgomery County Retired Employees' Association, Inc. (MCREA) was founded in 1977. It represents individuals who receive benefits from Montgomery County, Maryland employee retirement plans and/or retiree group insurance.

When you retire from public service, there remains an ongoing connection that includes:

- pensions
- health insurance
- deferred compensation
- cost-of-living increases
- life insurance
- survivor benefits

MCREA IS YOUR VOICE IN ROCKVILLE.

MCREA's PURPOSE:

- To enable members to speak with a common voice through the Association on matters pertaining to Montgomery County retirement benefits and to present their common interest before appropriate private and government agencies.
- To cooperate with active and retired public employees and with other organizations in Montgomery County and elsewhere, as appropriate, to advance Association interests.
- To monitor proposed legislation or regulations by the Government of Montgomery County, Maryland or other entities, and assess its impact on Association members. The Board of Directors (the "Board") shall determine whether to support or oppose legislation or regulations.
- To encourage and assist in the education of members in matters of interest to the Association.
- To hold property and funds, and to employ staff or consultants, if necessary, for the attainment of these purposes.

ORGANIZATION

MCREA is governed by a Board of Directors, half of whom are elected every year for two-year terms. There may be three additional Board members appointed by the President. Following the annual meeting, the Board of Directors selects, from among its members, the following officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Committees are appointed, as needed, to assist in conducting MCREA's business.

MCREA has a member representing the Association on the County's Board of Investment Trustees and Board of Trustees for the Consolidated Retiree Health Benefits Trust which oversee these programs.

MEETINGS

The annual meeting of the general membership is held in Montgomery County, typically in Rockville in June. The Board of Directors meets at least three times during the year and may meet at other times as it may be determined or upon call of the President. These meetings are open to retirees and spouses. If you wish to attend, contact us for the time and location of the next meeting.

NEWSLETTER

MCREA publishes a newsletter several times a year to pass along information of value to Montgomery County retirees, often not yet well-publicized, to clarify new developments or changing policies or procedures that may affect the administration of retiree benefits, and to keep retirees informed about the activities of the organization that is engaged in representing their interests. It is sent by U.S. mail and posted on our website.

DUES

MCREA dues are \$5 per calendar year per County retiree.

CONTACT

You can reach us by mail or call and leave a message (24 hours/day, 365 days per year):

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